

interoffice MEMORANDUM

To: Ed Malter, P.E., Supt. of Sanitary Services

From: Randy Lyman, Pretreatment Coordinator



Subject: Sewer Connection for JFK Stadium

Date: June 8, 2000 (8:48am)

Re: 1333 S. Grant (*previous utility account address*)

CC: Mike DeLong & Kevin Roods-City Utilities, Nick Heatherly, P.E. & Chris Straw-Building Development Services, Bob Schaefer, P.E., & Bill Knuckles, P.E.-Sanitary Services, David Duffield & Billie Hardin-Sewer Permits, Pretreatment Inspectors, file

I received a call yesterday from Chris Straw of Building Development Services answering my question as to whether Springfield Public Schools was planning to connect the new stadium restrooms and snack bar to the city sanitary sewer or whether they had an existing septic tank system. I became involved with this project only because of a outside grease interceptor variance request for the snack bar several weeks ago. We had been unable to find any documentation from the past indicating if the stadium was hooked to the city sewer when it was built in the late 50's or early 60's. They also razed the existing structure before we could dye test or smoke test the facility to determine connection to the sewer. They *have* been paying a sewer bill for several years, but the sewer maps reveal that it is out of a legal sanitary sewer district and it would be difficult for them to connect because they are a long way from the sewer main. Mr. Straw said the plans for the

rebuilding of the stadium show an existing building sewer being connected to the city trunk line across Thelma St. Mr. Straw said that plans in review show this building sewer is being totally replaced by a 6-inch building sewer all the way to the sewer main. A sewer connection permit should be taken out to document connection of the facility to the sanitary sewer. I believe the fee should be waived because they have been paying a monthly sewer bill for some time, unless they are upgrading the water service to a size greater than the 3-inch meter on the previous 'finaled' utility account for this address.

If Sanitary Services had not become involved or been made aware of this renovation and no sewer connection permit issued, the utility account for this address could be 'finaled' by City Utilities, a different water service provided, and a new account number assigned by City Utilities. Sanitary Services would collect no sewer impact fee for the water service upgrade or have no notice or information to trigger instructing the new account number for monthly sewer service charges. There is an assumption by many that all utility accounts pay a monthly sewer service charge so long as the property is served by city sewer. It is true that all utility accounts served by sewer are *subject* to the charges, but Sanitary Services is basically the *only* entity that makes the changes in City Utilities computer information system so accounts receive a proper monthly sewer service charge on their utility bill. We see the scenario described above happening from time to time. The same thing happens quite often when utility account numbers change or water services are up-sized and no sewer connection permit is required; maybe only a plumbing permit is required, or no permits are required by the 'system'. In other words, for whatever reasons, if a utility account number changes *for an address*, or if water service is moved to another account number, and if the sewer billing instructions are not concurrently transferred to the new account number, then the wastewater utility misses out on a sizeable amount of sewer revenue that rightfully belongs to them; because of these deficiencies in the system. After this has happened, it is a difficult and time consuming process to seek out such utility accounts so they can be properly instructed for monthly sewer service charges. Any resulting back-billing for past due sewer charges on these utility accounts is usually met with very unfavorable

reactions from our customers; particularly since deficiencies in *our* 'system' is responsible for the situation . Seeking collection of any unpaid sewer connection (impact) fees, after all construction and inspections have been completed, is probably even *more* unpopular with the customers.

In addition, the utility bill history for this address indicates high water usage for certain months, indicating possible watering of the football field. The way the previous account was set up, the Public School System may have been paying sewer charges for irrigation water. They could be advised to either purchase their own sub-meter to measure irrigation water that we will deduct from their monthly utility account, or could put in *separate* water services for irrigation and domestic uses at this facility. The utility account for irrigation would not be instructed to receive a monthly sewer bill. Irrigation, fire service, etc. demand for water should always be credited in determining the proper sewer connection (impact) fee for any project if only one water service is going to be provided. If Building Development Services has a contact person for this project, I would be happy to discuss sewer billing options with them. It could be a lot easier to make changes now rather than later to accomplish this. If you have any questions, give me a call at 1487.

Routing Slip

From

D. Field

to: City Departments

ATTENTION OF:

☐ Airport
☐ Art Museum
☐ Building Regulations
☐ City Attorney
☐ Prosecutor
☐ City Clerk
☐ Mayor/City Council
☐ City Manager
☐ Public Information
☐ Risk Manager
☐ Word Processing
☐ Communications (911)
☐ Fire
☐ Finance
☐ Accounting
☐ Budget & Evaluation
☐ Licensing
☐ Printshop
☐ Purchasing
☐ Health
☐ Air Pollution
☐ Clinic
☐ Human Resources
☐ Human Rights
☐ Municipal Court
☐ Parks
☐ Personnel
☐ Planning & Development

☐ Police Department
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☐ Engineering
☐ General Services
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☐ Solid Waste/Materials
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☐ Street Maintenance
☐ Traffic

Other Offices

☐ Chamber of Commerce
☐ City Utilities
☐ Emergency Mgmt.
☐ Greene County
☐ Library
☐ Pace
☐ Watershed Management

MESSAGE:

ATTENTION OF :

JRL

SEWER IMPACT FEE PERMITSite Address: **1333 S GRANT AVE**Issued: **08/09/2000**

Subdivision:

Lot:

Permit No: **SWR2000-00856**Project: **SWR IMPACT FEE**

Block:

CONTRACTOR/OWNER

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
FEE WAIVED, (USED EXISTING METER)

In/Out of City: I

Type of Material: PVC

In/Out of District: I

Special Permits? ☐

Water Meter Size:

Backflow Preventer? ☐

Size of Sewer Line: 8 IN

Manhole Top Elev:

Type of Sewer Permit: Regular

Conditional? ☐Location: tap: private plastic line, joined to clay line
into manhole on nw cor of meadowmere &
grantCU Water? ☒

City Contact: DRD

Note: All sewers must be inspected by City or county prior to backfilling. It is the Owner's and Plumber's responsibility to comply with the city's and County's call-in requirements for inspections.

The location of the sewer lateral noted on this permit is based on the best information available. The Applicant is responsible for all costs associated with finding the lateral and connecting to the lateral. If the end of the lateral or tee is under pavement or sidewalk, the applicant is responsible for the cost of the street or sidewalk repair.



Approved: Superintendent of Sanitary Services

AUTHORIZATION TO TAP SANITARY SEWER

*** (TAPPING TO BE DONE BY LICENSED PLUMBER ONLY)

Description of Material Type: PVC

Approximate Location Of Tap: PRIVATE PLASTIC LINE, JOINED TO CLAY LINE INTO MANHOLE ON NW COR OF MEADOWMERE & GRANT

Approved: Superintendent of Sanitary Services

INSPECTION REPORT

Sewer connect inspection made by me on _____ (date)

Connection at Designated Wye: ____ Yes ____ NO. If "No", show tap location below.

Tapped at the Following Location Manner: _____

(Measured from Center of Nearest Manhole)

If "Conditional Permit" [Dead-End Sewers] Sewer Line capped at the following location: _____

(Inspector)



1333 S. GRANT

